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Applicants: Akihide NAGAO et al

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For : METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING

HIGH TENSILE STRENGTH

STEEL PLATE

Art Unit : 1793

Examiner : Deborah Yee

Docket No. : 06387/HG

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

SIR:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 24, 2009, a response to which is extended two months by a PETITION FOR EXTENSION filed concurrently herewith to expire on July 24, 2009. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

Petition for Two Month Extension of Time and Fee attached.

This paper is being submitted via EFS-Web on July 6, 2009

In the event that this Paper is late filed, and the necessary petition for extension of time is not filed concurrently herewith, please consider this as a Petition for the requisite extension of time, and to the extent not already paid, authorization to charge the extension fee to Account No. 06-1378. In addition, authorization is hereby given to charge any fees for which payment has

not been submitted, or to credit any overpayments, to Account No. 06-1378.